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Enclosed herewith please find the English version of the following press release:

• "Rolf Hüppi to give up dual mandate by mid-2002" dated February 25, 2002.

Should there be any queries or comments please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely Zurich Financial Services Legal Departement

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Phone +41 (0)1 625 21 00 Fax +41 (0)1 625 26 41 media.info@zurich.com http://www.zurich.com Zurich, February 25, 2002 - Zurich Financial Services announced today that Rolf Hüppi has decided to step back as the Group's Chief Executive Officer by mid-2002 and subsequently concentrate on his mandate as Chairman of the Board. Zurich will announce his successor as CEO at the appropriate time.

As previously released, Peter Eckert, as Chief Operating Officer - Group Operations and Business Development, and James Schiro, as Chief Operating Officer - Group Finance, will take over their operational responsibilities as of March 1, 2002.

Also effective March 1, 2002, David L. Wasserman has been appointed to the Group Executive Committee as the new CEO of Zurich's Global Asset Business Division. David L. Wasserman takes over this function from Steven M. Gluckstern, who has decided to pursue other interests outside the Group following the repositioning of the asset management business and the transaction with Deutsche Bank that will lead to the divestment of Scudder.

Rolf Hüppi (1943) joined the Zurich Group in 1963. In 1987 he was appointed Deputy COO, in 1988 COO and in 1991 CEO of the Zurich Group. He was elected to the Board of Directors in 1993 and Chairman of the Board in 1995.



David L. Wasserman (1954) joined Zurich in 1991 and was named Senior Managing Director of the Zurich Global Asset Business Division in January 2001.

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